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Dear Congressman Studds:

This is in reply to your letter of July 26, 1993, in which you inquired on behalf of your constituent, Robert K. Hendrickson, Jr., regarding the Notice of Proposed Rule Making (Notice) in PR Docket No. 92-235, 57 FR 54034 (1992). This Notice proposes comprehensive changes to the Commission's Rules governing the private land mobile radio services operating in the frequency bands below 512 MHz.

The proposals in the Notice reflect to a large extent concepts and proposals submitted in the initial inquiry stages of this proceeding. None of the proposals set forth in the Notice, however, are engraved in stone. Indeed, the proposals represent our best judgment at this stage of the proceeding on steps that must be taken to improve the regulatory climate for users of the private land mobile radio spectrum below 512 MHz. I have enclosed for your information a copy of that part of the Notice that describes the numerous proposals, plus a discussion paper released March 1, 1993.

We are sensitive to the needs of users of private land mobile radio spectrum and the impact that these proposals may have on their radio systems. We will endeavour to protect all private land mobile radio systems, including those operated by public safety entities. Your constituent's letter will be included in the record of the proceeding and will be fully evaluated when we develop final rules.

Thank you for your interest in this proceeding. We expect to issue final rules in 1994.

Enclosures

Sincerely,

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Dear Mr. Haller:

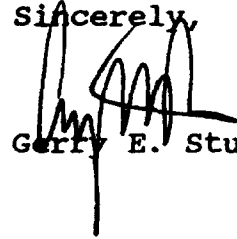
I recently received a letter from constituent Robert K. Hendrickson, Jr. of Scituate, MA concerning the proposed revision of land mobile radio services.

I am forwarding a copy of this letter to you and would appreciate a response to Mr. Hendrickson's inquiries. Please return your response to my office, care of Mr. Keith Lind.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

With kind regards.

Sincerely,


Gerry E. Studds

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Enclosures

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SUBJECT: PR DOCKET NO. 92-234

TOPIC: REPLACEMENT OF PART 90 BY PART 88 TO REVISE LAND MOBILE RADIO SERVICES

Dear Congressman Studds,

We are a small firm located in Scituate, Massachusetts who are Representatives for many manufacturers of Land Mobile Radio Products. These manufacturers employ over 1,000 people nationwide.

In New England, we service and sell over 600 Land Mobile accounts who employ around 2,000 employees. It is our feeling that the passage of this bill will cause a lot of these firms to go out of business.

We are against the bill for a number of reasons. First of all the new bill will force many radio users to scrap their current radio system and buy new equipment. The New England states do not have the tax base to replace these units. Almost all police, fire and local town departments will have to come up with funding to pay for new equipment which will be a lot more expensive than the older radios.

Secondly, only the largest radio manufacturers will be able to compete in this market due to the technology involved. Giants such as Motorola and General Electric are lobbying for the bill as they will be able to eliminate almost all of their competition.

We urge you to carefully review this docket and to vote against it. If it passes, every town and city will suffer the financial consequences!

Our firm has been in business since 1922, and we see this bill as one of the most disastrous for the small to medium size businessman.

We look forward to hearing your position on this.

Regards,

Robert K. Hendrickson, Jr.
President

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